

Monday, November 20 9:00 a.m. - Mary Adkins Quilters

Tuesday, November 21 9:30 a.m. - Al Anon Group 1:30 p.m. - Al Anon Group

Wednesday, November 22 NO CHURCH ACTIVITES

Thursday, November 23 Thanksgiving Day 8:30 a.m.—Thanksgiving Breakfast & Service

> Saturday, November 24 9:00 a.m. - Korean School

Monday, November 26 9:00 a.m.—Mary Adkins Quilters

Tuesday, November 27 9:30 a.m. - Al Anon Group 1:30 p.m. - Al Anon Group

Wednesday, November 28 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner 6:15 p.m. CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

> <u>Thursday, November 29</u> 9:30 a.m.—Joyous Singers



Flu and covid season is here. The Heath Ministries Team encourages our congregation to be alert, prevent illness when possible, take care of yourself by staying home if you do get sick, and take advantage of flu and covid shots when possible. The priority is to protect the health of others, to avoid spreading illness, and be proactive by following suggested ways for staying healthy.

Masks will be available at the entrances to the building for anyone wishing to use them while they are in the building. Please remember, if you are not feeling well remember there are several on-line options for participating in worship, and encourage you to take advantage of them while you recover.

Our priority is the health and wellbeing of our church community. Thank you for taking special care to avoid spreading illness during this flu and covid season. We want to be a church that spreads God's love by taking care of ourselves and others.

The Health Ministries Team



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Week of November 19, 2023

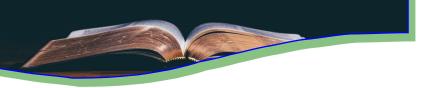
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As he begins to draw his letter to the Colossian church to a close, the Apostle Paul writes: And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which you were indeed called in one body. And be thankful.

Two things strike me in this sentence. The first is Paul's connection of peace and being thankful. Reading Paul's words, I am reminded of James' admonition to the church: *Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it, so you commit murder. And you covet something and do not have it, so you engage in disputes and conflicts.* [James 4:1-2a NRSV]

It seems that both Paul and James would agree that the lack of peace in the

"And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." (Colossians 3:17)



human community can be traced to a lack of gratitude. Our longing for more, more, more and better, better, better creates dissatisfaction with our lives, and perhaps even ourselves. That dissatisfaction, then circles around and feeds our desire for more, more, more and better, better, better — all in the hopes that we can fill up our lives and be happy.

It is reported that Nelson Rockefeller was asked, "How much is enough?" To which he replied, "Just a little bit more." This profound, deep-seated dissatisfaction with what we have, rooted in the dissatisfaction with who we



<u>Nov 19</u> Camera– Errol Morgan Sound– Lindsey Harris Nov 26

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Deacon of the Week

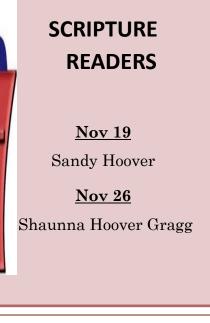
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<u>SUNDAY</u>

10:45 a.m. *Morning Worship* on Facebook® YouTube®,

& lyndonbaptist.org



THANKSGIVING & CHRISTMAS BASKET OPTIONS



For a contribution of \$25, you can provide a Thanksgiving and/or Christmas Dinner for a family of four. If you would like to help families in West Louisville this year, you can make your contribution of \$25 or more through the church. Simply mark on your check or envelope that the money is to go to *"BFC Baskets."* *Jim's Jottings* continued from Front Page are leads us on a quest to acquire more and more of what we want, even if what we want already belongs to someone else.

And the **what** that we want need not be money or material things, it can be anything that we believe will validate us and make our life worth living.

No wonder Paul connects peace and thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is that quality of living that reminds us that everything, and especially life itself is a gift. We did not earn it. It was given to us. And it was given to us by a Creator God, who created us in God's own image. This reality led the psalmist to proclaim: When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, . . . what are humans that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them a little lower than God and crowned them with glory and honor.

From the beginning, our identity is fixed as creatures made in the image of God. No accumulation of wealth, prestige, power, etc. can add anything to that. So, what we need is to be reconnected to who we truly are, God's loved creation; and to give thanks for that reality. That is the primary condition for peace in the human heart and peace in the human community.

Which leads me to the second thing that strikes me about what Paul wrote: we, the church of Jesus Christ, have been called to peace. In a renewed relationship with God through Jesus Christ, we come to terms with who we really are, giving thanks for who God has made us to be and what God has made us to do.

And, we are called, living into that peace, to be makers of peace in this world. So, giving thanks to God, with songs in our hearts, we do God's work of peace.



Saturday, December 2 9:00 a.m.

On the Saturday before Advent, volunteers gather to decorate the sanctuary for the season. Not only is this a time to put up garland, wreathes, banners, and a tree, it is a great time of fellowship. So, come join in the fun.

Children's Decorating Party December 2nd 9:30 a.m. - Noon On Saturday, December 2, all our children are invited to come to the church for a Decorating Party.

We will begin with donuts, milk and juice. Then we will work on Chrismon Decorations for the tree in our church sanctuary, as well as a decoration for your tree at home.

Come and join us as we prepare our church, our homes, and our selves for the coming of Jesus.



November 29 Chicken Fried Steak Broccoli Mac & Cheese Slaw

Please make or change your reservation by NOON on MONDAY so we can give the caterer an accurate count.

425-7150



Wednesday, November 29th

6:15 p.m.



NOVEMBER 23 8:30 A.M. GOLDSBY HALL

Every year we gather on Thanksgiving morning for a time of fellowship, eating, and sharing our thanksgivings to God. Our Deacons provide the breakfast for us. After we eat breakfast together, we spend the rest of time voice to God and to each other our thanksgivings for all God has done for and through us.

This is a special time. Many feel it is the most special service we have each year.

So, we invite you to get up on Thanksgiving morning and join together in fellowship and thanksgiving.



Birthdays EMBURY, Daniel 11/20 RICE, Janis 11/30

PRAYER GUIDE November 19, 2023

Righteous God, our merciful master you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen



SCRIPTURE READINGS

- **Monday** Psalm 9:1 14; Zechariah 1: 7 17; Romans 2:1 – 11
- *Tuesday* Psalm 9:1 14; Zechariah 2:1 5; 5:1 – 4; I Thessalonians 5:12 – 18
- **Wednesday** Psalm 9:1 14; Job 16:1 21; Matthew 24:45 – 51
- *Thursday* Psalm 95:1 7a; I Kings 22:13 23; Revelation 14:1 11
- *Friday* Psalm 95:1 7a; I Chronicles 17:1 15; Revelation 22:1 9
- **Saturday** Psalm 95:1 7a; Isaiah 44:21 28; Matthew 12:46 50

Sunday – CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Psalm 95:1 – 7a; Ezekiel 34:11 – 16, 20 – 24; Ephesians 1:15 – 23; Matthew 25:31 – 46



PRAYER for THANKSGIVING

Praise God for his gracious gifts. Praise God for the Holy Spirit's work through His people.

Pray for those in need because of illness, grief, abuse, or loneliness.

Pray for peace in our world and for leaders to seek reconciliation.

Gracious God, you are faithful in all generations. For the promise of life and rest, we praise your goodness.

Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.

PRAYER FOR OUR CHURCH

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Gwen Boyce 5202 Eagle Peak Way, 40241

Myshael Brownell 4228 Bayberry Drive, 40216

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Prayer for Family and Friends

Evelyn Adiputra Friend of Ruth Holladay

Rylan Applegate Grandson of Steve and Ann Sturdevant

Liz Aulino Friend of Lindsey Harris

Kyp Bellinger Family of Jim and Ruth Holladay

John Biesel Father of Lindsay Harris

David Brinkley Nephew of Jane Hasty

Brian Bullock Friend of Barbara Whitley

Paul Christiansen Family of Madge Garwood and Merri McDonald

> **Billy Compton** Son in Law of Dickie Cox

> Alex Delano Friend of Lindsey Harris

Erin Ford Friend of Lindsey Harris **Randall Ford** Family of Marty Hamilton

Ronald Furguson Father of Addie Brownell

Lisa Gilmore Friend of Derek Harris

Nelson Gruppe Cousin of Diana Flemister

Ray Hicks Son of Gary and Victoria Hicks

> **Family of Ben Hilbert** Friend of Ruth Holladay

Teresa Holsclaw Cousin of Connie Black

Emily Janowik and Family Friend of Lindsey Harris

Deb Jennings and Jordan Hahn Family of Sandy Hahn

Mr. Kim Father of Jiyoung Kim

Sara Beth Lowe Friend of Derek and Lindsey Harris

Forrest Morehead Brother-in-Law of Sharon Wood **Donna Prim** Friend of Gary and Victoria Hicks

> Sean Ruwe Son of Vera Ruwe

Jenny Sidert Friend of Connie Black

Gladys Smith Family of Addie Brownell

Mark and Amy Snyder Family of Sandy Hoover

Sean Stearman Grandson of Jan Raper

Gloria Waltemyer Aunt of Shaunna Hoover Gragg

> John Taylor Webb Family of Becki Sikes

Jessica Weisenfels Friend of Lindsey Harris

Maggie Westwood Friend of Lindsey Harris

Joseph Williams Family of Tim and Dora Vanderhoof